

Applicants also filed an Information Disclosure Statement on February 27, 2009, i.e., 100 days subsequent to the November 19, 2008 Amendment and Response. However, this 100 day period is completely within the 117 day period of item #2, above.

3) An **Office Delay of 89 days** that occurred between the period of March 19, 2009 (four months after the date Applicants filed the [non-compliant] Amendment and Response of November 19, 2008) and June 16, 2009 (the date the Office mailed the subsequent Office Action).

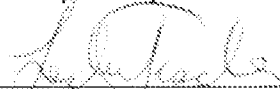
When these calculations are included, the PTO deficiencies are 369 days and the Applicant deficiencies are 610 days. Accordingly, the PTA Notice mailed with the Notice of Allowance should indicate that **there are currently 0 days of PTA.**

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

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